

A great alteration since last time, the immediate looks in a very desolate state, orchard overgrown with weeds, the only improvement is a row of Poplars & Willows along the edge of the foot path next the side ditches. It is cut up in small lots, owned by different parties.

October 1st. Thursday, showery last night & 8 a.m. stiff h.c. after 9 a.m., helping to load up timber onto the timber carriage, out of Mollito's yard, for a new store for Drummond Macpherson. tending & exercising the horses, beware & watch
Oct 2. Friday, dew fine, by the h.c. commenced raining 7 p.m. tending horses, down to Brittons wharf & helped to load 2 drays with some sawn log for government. 4 m. over cutting chaff a short time P.M.

Oct. 3. Saturday, showery, h.c. tending sick horses & mending stables, & etc, late. Good news from Auckland & Taranaki; several skirmishes with the Mooris, it's all the mooris where worsted, & several bit the dust.

Oct. 4. Sun Sunday, dry showers, by S.D. tending horses & reading, another Sabbath is passed but slow spent, I like not this employment, I would that some other path was open for me.

Oct 5. Monday. showery. 2 m. by S.D. 1 a.m. h.c. 11 m. loaded up with 1014 ft of timber & 4 stone piles, out of Mollito's yard, for a new, wool & goods store on the other side of the

Kaiaikoa, for Drummond Macpherson, by dry pulling, track soft & wet, late up to Gigg's 8 p.m. tired out, both man & horses
Oct. 6. Tuesday, dew fine, by all quarters, river high & soft, forded it in two places on horse back, we took the upper ford one of Whites' drays got stuck & the shafts laid down in the water they had to take them out before they could get up, we got all our drays through eight horses on each, one of the shafts fell ~~in the middle~~, shifted some of the load back started on & he got on his pins again, very heavy pulling, late up to the Kaiaikoa, unloaded & back to Gigg's

Oct. 7. Wednesday, dry dew, by the h.c. down to Cattel, & loaded up again

Oct. 8. Thursday, showery, 6 m. by S.D. 2 a.m. B.D. 11 m. Started early, reached Gigg's 6 p.m. roads better.

Oct 9. Friday, dew fine, by all quarters, up to the Kaiaikoa unloaded at the punt by rough across the river bed. back to Gigg's.

Oct. 10. Saturday, showery, S.D. down to Cattel

Oct. 11. Sunday, dew fine, S.D. by 11 a.m. after 11 a.m. writing home & reading & etc.

Oct 12. Monday, dew fine, by N.E. N.W. after 11 a.m. loaded up with timber out of Mollito's yard, up to Gigg's